

# News from the FPPC

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## FPPC Enforcement Decisions: March 13, 2008

The following are enforcement decisions approved by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its regular monthly meeting held in Sacramento on Thursday, March 13, 2008. Decisions are divided by category and include a brief summary of each case and the total amount of any administrative fine or fines in each case.

Additional information on each of the enforcement cases below can be found in the March agenda on the FPPC website at [www.fppc.ca.gov](http://www.fppc.ca.gov). FPPC agendas are distributed and posted on the agency website 10 days prior to each monthly meeting.

The web version of the agenda includes links to the stipulations agreed to by the commission and by the individuals and organizations subject to the fines, or the default decisions proposed to the commission. Exhibits in support of the stipulations and proposed default decisions are also available on the website. If you are unable to access the FPPC website, or need further assistance, please call the FPPC communications office at (916) 322-7761.

### Late Contribution

When contributions of \$1,000 or more are made or received during the final days of an election—the time between the last campaign report required to be filed and the end of the election—late contribution reports must be filed within 24 hours of making the “late” contribution.

The following failed to file late contribution reports as required by the Political Reform Act:

**Conexant Systems, Inc.**, of Newport Beach, failed to timely disclose one late \$15,000 contribution. **\$2,250 fine.**

### Campaign Reporting Violation

#### **Robert G. Walters, Bob Walters for Supervisor, and Leonard W. Atkinson**

Robert G. Walters, an unsuccessful candidate for the Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, his controlled committee, Bob Walters for Supervisor, and its treasurer, Leonard W. Atkinson, failed to report information for subvendor payments totaling \$202,481 on campaign statements filed for reporting periods in 2003 and 2004. **\$2,500 fine.**

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### **Statements of Economic Interests**

California law requires elected officials, certain board members and governmental employees, and consultants employed by governmental entities to fill out Statements of Economic Interests (SEIs or Form 700s). SEIs serve a dual purpose: they make a filer aware of personal economic interests relative to a governmental decision, and they are an important disclosure document for the public and media.

The following individuals failed to file their Statement of Economic Interests forms on time or omitted required information:

**Barbara Wientjes**, a board member of the Health Council of Marin County, failed to timely file her 2006 annual statement of economic interests. **\$200 fine.**

### **Major Donor**

A major donor is a person or entity who makes contributions totaling \$10,000 or more in a calendar year and is required to file campaign reports detailing how much was contributed and to whom.

The following failed to file major donor reports as required by law:

**Capital Insurance Group**, of Monterey, failed to timely file five semi-annual campaign statements disclosing contributions totaling \$117,600. **\$2,604 fine.**

**Davis and Graeber Insurance Services**, of Redlands, failed to timely file a semi-annual campaign statement disclosing contributions totaling \$13,100. **\$400 fine.**

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